



**STATE OF DELAWARE**  
**Child Death, Near Death and Stillbirth Commission**

**FINAL MINUTES**

**Meeting Date and Time:** December 2, 2011, 1:00 PM

**Meeting Location:** Appoquinimink State Service Center

**In Attendance:**

**Commissioners:**

Mr. C. Malcolm Cochran  
Dr. Garrett H. C. Colmorgen, Chair  
Ms. Tania M. Culley  
Ms. Marjorie Hershberger  
Dr. Kathy A. Janvier  
Ms. Courtney Jones  
Dr. Amanda Kay  
Ms. Leslie Newman  
Ms. Patricia Dailey Lewis  
Judge Joelle Hitch  
Chief Kevin McDerby  
Ms. Mary Kate McLaughlin  
Ms. Alisa Olshefsky  
Cpl. Adrienne Owens (proxy for Col. Coupe)  
Ms. Mary Ann Crossley

**Other:**

Ms. Bridget Buckaloo

**Staff:**

Anne Pedrick, Executive Director  
Ashlee Starratt  
Angela Birney  
Elaine O'Neill

**Call to Order:**

Dr. Colmorgen called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Minutes: The minutes from September 16, 2011 were accepted without change.

LCSW Candidate: The Commissioner position for a social worker is still open. If anyone has any suggestions for a replacement, please provide resumes; the individual must be a member of the National Association of Social Workers (NASW).

**NEW BUSINESS**

**New Commissioner:** Mary Ann Crossley, RN from Christiana Care has accepted the Commissioner position to fill Marie Renzi's place. Introductions were made around the table.

**Executive Director Report:**

Maternal Mortality Review (MMR): The first MMR was held on November 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 at the Medical Society of Delaware. The report will be given later in meeting.

March of Dimes: CDNDSC partnered with March of Dimes in their Summit on Safe Sleep at Christiana Hospital on November 15<sup>th</sup>. Dr. Rachel Moon, chair of the American Academy of Pediatrics Task Force on SIDS and Unsafe Sleep Environments presented with Marj Hersherberger. They spoke at Pediatric Grand Rounds for physicians at the 8:00 a.m. session, to NICU nurses during the morning session, and to other professionals during the afternoon session.

Joint Conference: The Protecting Delaware's Children Conference was held on October 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> at Dover Downs. There were over 500 multi-disciplinary professionals in attendance and many more on a waiting list. Initial feedback has been very positive. A report will be distributed at a later date; University of Delaware has the evaluations and is working on tallying the results from each break-out session. Work has begun on the next conference, any ideas or suggestions are welcomed.

**CAN Panel Discussion:** The Commission received a letter from Chief Judge Kuhn asking to redact testimony from the CAN Panel. As a result of this request, policies and procedures were reviewed. The Executive Committee met to discuss the letter and decided not to redact any information from the Panel. Dr. Colmorgen expressed that this is an opportunity to remind the Panel chairs that the meetings and information brought forth during them are confidential and must be handled in the most discreet fashion; the chairs also have authority to stop any inappropriate comments. The incident in question was determined not to be a breach of confidentiality, only a representative reporting back

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to his/her Commissioner. In a separate email received prior to this meeting, Chief Judge Kuhn asked to withdraw her concern.

**Other Business:**

There was no other business to discuss during General Session.

**Public Comment:**

There was no public comment.